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SUBJECT Attitude of Alianza Libertadora Nacionalista (ALN)
Toward the United States

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1. [REDACTED] Carlos Ibarguren, prominent figure in the Alianza Libertadora Nacionalista (ALN), the nationalistic Argentine political group which has long been anti-United States. Ibarguren made the following statements:

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- a. Ideologically the ALN is closer to Soviet Russia than to the United States, and in the event of war between these two powers, the Argentine ALN will support Russia. 25X1X
 - b. The Communist Party is a young, vital party, while "U.S. Imperialism" is old and decadent. Furthermore, the Communist Party has a branch in Argentina, whereas "Yanquism," as such, has no political representation in Argentina.
 - c. The greatest enemy of the "Hispanidad" doctrine, which the ALN endorses, is the United States and not Russia.
2. In his conversation, Ibarguren emphasized that the opinions he expressed were not merely his own, but that they represented the official line of the ALN.

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Comment: Ibarguren is a well known author and intellectual who years ago played a prominent part in the reform of Argentina's university laws. At that time he worked closely with individuals who today are militant Communists. He was an ALN candidate during the last congressional elections and polled 19,000 votes.

While an alliance between Nationalists and Communists may appear incongruous, they are on common ground in their attitude toward the United States. Both groups actively spread anti-U. S. propaganda in the weeks preceding the Rio Conference.

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